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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: John A. Ragan :

APPLICATION SERIAL NO.: 10/008,294

: Examiner: Jane T. Fan

FILING DATE: December 3, 2001

: Group Art Unit: 1625

TITLE: SYNTHESIS OF PYRROLE AMIDES :

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Responsive to the restriction requirement imposed on the subject case December 18, 2002:

Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I: Claims 10-11 to fused pyrrolecarboxamides, together with process claims 1-9 to the extent directed to formula I thereof.

Applicant further provisionally elects the species:

Methyl-(1-{4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1H-indole-3-carbonyl)-amino]-phenyl)-ethyl)-carbamic acid tert-butyl ester.

Said species is nominated at page 8, line 1 and claims 11.

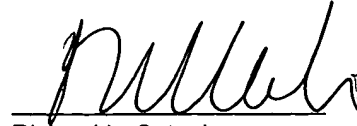
The above elections are made with traverse. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction under §121. Specifically, Applicant submits that no undue burden in examining all claims together exists inasmuch as a common class and subclass exist. Indeed, such is admitted by the Official Action wherein class 544, subclasses 546 and 548 are the only ones indicated for both Group I and II.

Reconsideration is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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